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Mr. Lee A. Barclay  
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U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
Region IV  
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Dear Mr. Barclay:

The Environmental Protection Agency has received a revision to the Kentucky's Water Quality Standards Regulations adopted by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and became effective on July 12, 1995. The revision was submitted for EPA review on August 15, 1995.

As part of our review, we are soliciting your comments on Chapter 401 KAR 5:030, Nondegradation policy implementation methodology. A copy of this new chapter which contains the procedure and criterion for implementing the Commonwealth's antidegradation policy as well as a list of waterbodies presently included in each antidegradation category is enclosed.

We understand that Kentucky's Department of Water staff has provided the Service with the proposed revisions at several points during their review of the water quality standards regulations. Also, it is our understanding that the Service has provided support for these revisions during the Commonwealth's public review process.

To facilitate our review of these revisions, we request that your comments be submitted within 30 days of receipt of this letter. If you should have any questions or need further information, please call Eve Zimmerman at (404) 347-3555 ext 6637. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fritz Wagener".

Fritz Wagener, Chief  
Water Quality Standards Section

Enclosure

cc: Garland B. Pardue,  
Acting Assistant Regional Director  
USFWS Regional Office